



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 27 Tsothohrhkó:wa/ January 2020

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Cody Diabo, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Gina Deer, Frankie McComber, Clinton Phillips, Rhonda Kirby, Ross Montour, Tonya Perron and Lindsay LeBorgne

Out: Nitsénhaienhs Harry Rice (Vacation) and Mike Delisle Jr. (Vacation) *See formal agenda items

Also Present: Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Council Meeting Administrator), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), Paul Rice (Business and Economic Development Advisor) and Joe Delaronde (Public Relations)

House Keeping

- Cheque Signers: Nitsénhaienhs Rhonda Kirby & Lindsay LeBorgne
- Minute Acceptance for December 9, 2019
- Preliminary Agenda Items for February 19, 2020 Winter Community Meeting: Land Allotments, *Kahnawà:ke Residency Law*, Lands Acquisitions engagement, Asbestos, Tiowero:ton, Sustainable Development initiatives, and Open Discussion
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: Tobacco meeting; Thursday: Kanawaki meeting; Friday meeting with Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Thursday: Client-Based Services meeting; Social Affairs Portfolio meeting
- **Gina Deer:** Thursday: Economic Development Portfolio meeting, and Social Affairs Portfolio meetings; Friday: Quebec/Kahnawà:ke Relation (QKR) internal meeting, Land Acquisition informal Consultation Kiosk at Services Complex
- **Frankie McComber:** Wednesday: meeting with Peacekeepers & Public Safety Division, Tobacco meeting; Thursday: Economic development Portfolio meeting; Friday: QKR internal meeting
- **Clinton Phillips:** Thursday: Lease renewal internal meeting; Friday: Wellness Day
- **Rhonda Kirby:** Wednesday: Indian Day School Settlement, and Jacques Cartier-Champlain Bridge Incorporated Kahnawà:ke Art initiative; Thursday: Transport discussion, and Social Affairs Portfolio meeting; Friday: QKR internal meeting; Vacation from February 3 to 14
- **Ross Montour:** Wednesday: Cannabis Control Board meeting; Thursday: Presentation at Dawson College with Lynn Jacobs from Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office; Friday: QKR internal, Duty to Consult, and Ad-Hoc Committee meetings
- **Tonya Perron:** Wednesday: Cannabis, Tobacco, and Cannabis Control Board meetings; Friday: QKR internal, Duty to Consult, and Ad-Hoc Committee meetings
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Thursday: Capital Unit budget meeting; Friday: QKR internal, and Ad-Hoc Committee meetings
- **Joe Norton:** Wednesday: meeting regarding Economic Development opportunity; Thursday: Comprehensive Community Planning meeting; Friday: meeting with Grand Council of the Crees Chief Abel Bosum (rescheduled from previous date), and Ad-Hoc Committee meeting

Formal Agenda Items

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Cultural Development Officer

Presence of Lisa Phillips (Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitíohkwa Language & Cultural Center - KORLCC) & Trina C. Diabo. Request for Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke to enter into a three-year agreement with the Quebec Ministry of Culture & Communications for funding a position of Cultural Development Officer for the KORLCC. The agreement will provide \$45,000 per year from Quebec. The MCK will also provide a 25 percent contribution of up to \$15,000 for each fiscal year of the agreement. Erica Delisle authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the MCK. Passed by consensus



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Request for Decision: Turtle Bay Elders Lodge

*Presence of Dwayne Kirby, Mike Horne & Tracy Johnson (Turtle Bay Elders Lodge), and Alexis Shackleton, Alan John Rice & Shari Lahache. Request to consider an exemption regarding eligibility requirements for residency at the Turtle Bay Elders Lodge. The request was not approved, as it is a contravention of Mohawk law, with only Frankie McComber & Rhonda Kirby supporting the request. *Please note that Ratsénhaienhs Mike Delisle, Jr., though on vacation, voted by proxy against the request. As a follow-up, Chief & Council mandated the Health Portfolio team to work with relevant bodies to assist in this matter.*

Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

- None submitted

Chief & Council Updates

- Lindsay LeBorgne provided recap of QKR meeting on January 23rd regarding Health, Labor & Mercier Bridge matters, as well as updates on conflicts experienced by service providers on the Territory
- Tonya Perron updated on the QKR Cannabis and Justice discussions, upcoming Regulations to the Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission, and difficulties in attracting applicants for various positions
- Ross Montour provided updates on the repatriation and reburial of remains on January 23rd, establishment on a QKR Consultation Sectoral Table, Duty to Consult matters, and (on behalf of Ratsénhaienhs Harry Rice) Education & Client-Based Services, and Kahnawake Youth Center Board of Directors
- Rhonda Kirby updated on QKR Transport file, Indian day School Settlement; and the upcoming Jacques Cartier-Champlain Bridge Incorporated Kahnawà:ke Art initiative
- Clinton Phillips: reported on recent K/CR meeting; also updated on upcoming project to address Undivided Interests lands, potential funding for Tioweró:ton, surplus federal lands, CSX rail line, and Recreation Bay funding matters
- Frankie McComber reported the completion of landfill removal at private residence in Lot 106, Iroquois Caucus issues, including Harvesting Working Group meetings, Tioweró:ton matters, and request to consider presentation by lawyer Mike McDonald (which was approved)
- Gina Deer updated on the Mercier Bridge Special Committee meeting, QKR Youth Protection issues, including Youth Protection, Economic development, Trade & Commerce, and renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding & relationship Framework. Also updated on the January 25th Tioweró:ton community consultation meeting
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer provided updates on Kahnawà:ke Residency Law, and last week's Iroquois Caucus meeting
- Cody Diabo provided updates on solar-powered lighting, bike path meeting, and Environmental & Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office matters
- Joe Norton provided updates on discussions held with representatives from the office of Federal Minister of Justice David Lametti, and Online Gaming matters
- Meeting was closed at **4:15pm**